



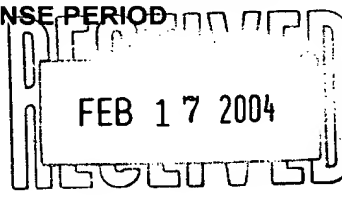
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request re-mailing of the Office Action mailed September 5, 2003, and restarting the response period for that Office Action. Applicants' representatives had a status check for a first Office Action docketed for January 23, 2004. Applicants' representative accessed status information via the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) web page, a copy of the information retrieved from the web page is attached. Upon noticing that an Office Action had been mailed by the Patent Office, the undersigned proceeded to contact Examiner Nguyen on January 23, 2004. Based on the conversation with Examiner Nguyen, it appears that the Patent Office entered a correspondence address change in the present application which was not intended for this application. Specifically, information on the PAIR web page indicates that a correspondence address change was entered on July 20, 2001 as paper number 3. However, Applicants never filed a request for a correspondence address change in this file. Because the Patent Office improperly changed the correspondence address for this application, Applicants respectfully request that the Patent Office re-mail the Office Action originally issued on September 5, 2003, and restart the time period for reply.


It is believed that the above provides sufficient information for the Patent Office to re-mail the Office Action and restart the response period. However, if there are any questions regarding this paper, or the application in general, the Patent Office is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (703) 838-6578.

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